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Arzamas

1. Before the war, Arzamas (55°23'N, 43°51'E) was used for the training of troops, principally regular officers. At the western edge of the city there is a school for officers of the different arms. The school, surrounded by a wall, consists of two large buildings and a chapel; the chapel is now used as a warehouse for food stuffs. During the summer, the students of this school are transferred for a certain period to the village of Sablukova, 22 kilometers north of Arzamas, where they hold maneuvers.
2. Twelve kilometers south of Arzamas on a plain there is an airfield for training officers and enlisted men. There are a number of training planes and war planes on this airfield. According to an employee at the field, in December 1946 the personnel of the airfield numbered about 250 men. [REDACTED] Comment: This is probably the field indicated on AAF Aeronautical Chart, Sheet 166, as Arzamas No.1, southeast of the city.)

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3. An airfield is located approximately two kilometers north of the town of Karpogori (54°0'N, 44°32'E), between the Pinega River and the wagon road which leads to the village of Trufanogorskaya. The field has a surface of hard sandy earth and can be used throughout the year; its dimensions are 600 x 2,000 meters. At the beginning of October 1946, work began on the widening of the airfield, which was accomplished by the levelling of the fields on each side. A small one-story edifice serves as an administration building.
4. In good weather, five or six Russian single-engined Y2 airplanes land at the Karpogori airfield daily. These planes carry two passengers and a pilot. The flights originate in Arkhangel.
5. At the beginning of October 1946, work was begun on the installation of a radio station in a two-story building on the outskirts of Karpogori.

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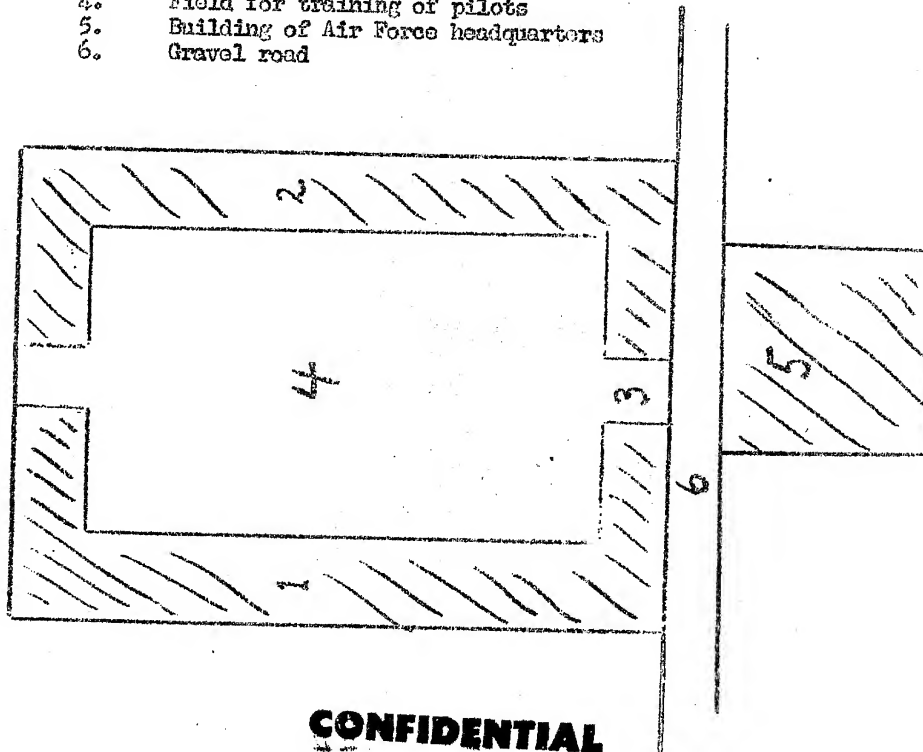
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1.5 kilometers from the airfield. This new transmitter is called "radio stantsiya" (radio station), while the regular thirty-watt station in Karpogori is called "radio uzel" (military intelligence radio).

Armavir

6. A Soviet Air Force school is located in the city of Armavir (44°58'N, 41°05'E) in two one-story buildings across the street from the Armavir Air Force headquarters. Every year 200 to 250 recruits are selected from the region to undergo a three-year course of studies which leads, upon graduation, to assignment to a regular Soviet Air Force unit. Forty to fifty officers instruct at the school.
7. Students of the Armavir air force school receive flight training at an airfield five to six kilometers southwest of the city, along the gravel road leading to Lavinskoe and not far from the municipal reservoir. The field is 2,000 to 3,000 meters wide and 3,000 to 4,000 meters long; it is covered with short grass. The hangars were destroyed during the war, but approximately twenty training monoplanes use the field every day. Two other craft, biplanes, are used by the officers of the the school.
8. The Armavir airfield is strongly guarded: there is a watchtower at each corner of the field, and sentries patrol the boundaries between these towers. A radio mast has been erected at one point along the edge of the field. A railroad line leads from the city to the airfield.
9. The following is a sketch of the Air Force school at Armavir.

Key: 1.&2. One-story buildings of the Air Force school
 3. Entrance to school
 4. Field for training of pilots
 5. Building of Air Force headquarters
 6. Gravel road

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